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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Application of: A. ABERG *et al.*

Application No.: 09/447,218



Group Art Unit: 1623

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Examiner: L. Crane

For: METHODS FOR TREATING
URTICARIA USING
DESCARBOETHOXYLORATADINE

Attorney Docket No.: 4821-362

AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated March 23, 2000, Applicants respectfully submit the following amendments and remarks for entry into the record and consideration by the Examiner. Applicants also submit herewith a Petition for Extension of Time with provision for the required fee and a Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement.

IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend the claims as follows:

34. (Twice Amended) A method of treating urticaria in a human comprising administering to [said] a human in need thereof a therapeutically effective amount of descarboethoxyloratadine (DCL) or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof.

35. (Amended) The method of claim 34 [wherein said adverse side effect is cardiac arrhythmia or tumor promotion] which further comprises reducing avoiding an adverse side effect selected from the group consisting of cardiac arrhythmia and tumor promotion.